



St. Mark – Ocean Park Anglican Church

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"PARISH PULSE" NEWSLETTER OF ST. MARK OCEAN PARK SUNDAY APRIL 1, 2018

Upcoming Events

Monday, April 2

Easter Monday – Office Closed

Tuesday, April 3

1pm – Prayer Shawl Meeting – Family Room
7pm – Youth – Youth Room

Wednesday, April 4

9am – Yoga – Education Centre
10am – Service – Sanctuary
1pm – Seniors Get-Together – Hall & Family Room
7:30pm – Choir Practice

Thursday, April 5

8:30pm – Preparation by Rental Client – Kitchen
7:30pm – Bible Study – Family Room

Friday, April 6

9am – 5pm – Peace Arch Hospital Auxiliary Event – Hall & Kitchen
9am – Exercise – Education Centre

Sunday, April 8

11am – NewComers Fellowship – Family Room

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR – are given today by Lynne Brownridge and Craig Stefan in loving memory of their Mother Alice Victoria Stefan.

Flowers are also given by Gill and Brian Jones, to the Glory of God, giving thanks for their many blessings and answered prayers.

THE PRAYER CHAIN coordinator is Mary Brown who can be contacted at 604.535.6408. or at marybrown@telus.net.

BIBLE READINGS FOR April 8

Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John 1:1-2:2, John 20:19-31

THE LUNCH BASKET FOR HUNGRY CHILDREN

is provided this week is given with love in remembrance of my sweet dog Abby, from Aliyah.

Altar Flowers - Lent is a penitential season and as is the custom of many we have to give up something. In the Church we give up our flowers and so from Ash Wednesday until Easter Sunday we have no flowers. This is the only season on the Church calendar that has this restriction. For the rest of the year we encourage flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary. After we have enjoyed the flowers during the service, the flowers are divided into small bouquets. These flowers then go to people celebrating something, shut-ins or people in need of uplifting. If you would like to put flowers in the church to celebrate a special occasion or the memory of loved ones or for the blessings that God has given you, please check the calendar in the Hall and put your name on the schedule. The Altar Guild can purchase the flowers for you. If you want special flowers or colours that can also be arranged by calling Lynne Brownridge (604-561-3996) or Kathryn Smith (604-560-1455).

HELP WANTED

With Easter coming, flowers return to the Sanctuary and the ministry of delivering them after the 10am Service to the shut-ins, sick, and others restarts. Unfortunately, a couple of team members are not presently available due to health issues. Please consider this ministry as an opportunity to help. There are presently 6 teams of two, so the time involved is every sixth week, and the response from recipients is very rewarding. Please contact the coordinator, Michael Weller at 604-538-9334 or email weller301@shaw.ca for information on the tasks involved.

The "Help Wanted" segment (above) is a new feature in the PULSE. If you are a Ministry Leader, and if you are seeking volunteers, please submit content for the "Help Wanted" feature to the Office by the PULSE deadline = Wednesdays at 4pm.



Library News

Do you feel tempted to give up on your dreams? Do you feel unnoticed? In her book ***Laugh It Up*** **Candice Payne** uses humour, power, wit and wisdom to move forward to a life that is truly free.

NewComers Fellowship - Calling all newcomers to St. Mark's! If you have started attending St. Mark's in the last year, you are welcome to join us for a NewComers Fellowship next Sunday, April 8, after the 10am service. A light luncheon will be provided. It will include an orientation to the church and meeting some of St. Mark's leaders. Please RSVP to Holly hollybt58@gmail.com or tell me in church!



Garden & Grounds Work Party
Tues. April 10 from 9am to 12noon

Many light tasks as well as heavier ones. Come as you can & leave when you need. All hands are welcome. See posters and list of tasks in the Hall. See Anne Schreck for details.

QUICK LOOK AHEAD

Sun. April 8 11:45 am Newcomers Fellowship
Tues. April 10 9am to 12noon Gardening Party
Tues. April 10 6pm Men's Club dinner meeting; Guest Speaker is Barbara Walks, Embrace Rwanda missionary
Sun. April 8 11:45 am Newcomers Fellowship
Sat. April 28 5:30pm Children's Ministry Missions spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser in the Hall

Tues. May 15 6pm Men's Club dinner meeting; Guest Speaker is Bishop Biswas from the Diocese of Calcutta; Topic is Cathedral Relief Service (CRS) & how it delivers empowerment programs, free education, and health care services to families who live in Kolkata slums.
Tues. May 22 7pm Parish Council meeting
Sat. May 26 Diocesan Mission Conference

Sat. June 9 5:30 pm Men's Club Chicken Bar B Q
Sat. June 16 11 am ACW Strawberry Tea

Spaghetti Dinner

Children's Ministry Missions Fundraiser
benefitting families in Rwanda, school children in Kolkata, Missionary family in Brazil and the Hot Potatoes Initiative led exclusively by passionate youth across the Lower Mainland.

WHEN: Saturday, April 28, 2018
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
WHERE: St. Mark Parish Hall
12953 20th Avenue
Surrey, B.C.
COST: \$12.50 (children 12 and under FREE)

Fundraiser